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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Applicants expressly request that the amendments stated in the Annex to the International Preliminary Examination Report issued regarding PCT Application No. PCT/EP2004/050962 be entered.

In addition, prior to examination of the national stage entry into the U.S. of PCT Application No. PCT/EP2004/050962, the specification for which has been communicated to the United States Patent and Trademark Office by the International Bureau, and which has been amended pursuant to the Annex to the International Preliminary Examination Report, please further amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.